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In the Application of:)

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Group Art Unit: 3763

Serial No. 09/070,269)

Conf. No. 4260

Filed: April 30, 1998)

For: A Device Used to Connect an
External Ventricular Drainage
Catheter)

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed September 24, 2003, please reconsider this application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 11 of this paper.